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From: Commandant of the Marine Corps  
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Subj: APPOINTING ORDER FOR THE MARINE CORPS MORALE, WELFARE AND  
RECREATION (MWR) POLICY REVIEW BOARD

1. Purpose. To establish the Marine Corps MWR Policy Review Board and define its mission and operating procedures.
2. Cancellation. MCO 1700.26B.
3. Background. Marine Corps MWR functions are consolidated into a single staff agency at HQMC and field commands. The Morale, Welfare and Recreation Support Activity (MWRSPACT) is the HQMC staff agency charged with oversight of MWR programs. The MWRSPACT reports to the CMC (M&RA). The MWRSPACT offices are located at the Marine Corps Combat Development Command, Quantico, Virginia.

4. General

a. The mission of the Marine Corps MWR Policy Review Board is to act as an advisory body to the Assistant Commandant of the Marine Corps on MWR policy matters that have a major impact on the Marine Corps.

b. The Assistant Commandant of the Marine Corps is responsible for oversight review and decision action for the MWR Policy Review Board.

c. The MWR Policy Review Board will have 11 members, 8 voting, 2 nonvoting ex officio members, and a recorder. The Deputy Chief of Staff for Installations and Logistics will serve as the Chairperson. The following are appointed as members:

- (1) Deputy Chief of Staff for Manpower and Reserve Affairs
- (2) Director, Fiscal Division
- (3) Commanding General, MCB Camp Pendleton
- (4) Commanding General, MCB Camp Lejeune
- (5) Sergeant Major of the Marine Corps
- (6) Commanding generals of an air station and a small or medium command from opposite coasts serve as rotational members.

(7) Counsel for the Commandant of the Marine Corps,  
nonvoting/ex officio

(8) Director, MWRSPTACT, nonvoting/ex officio

(9) MWR Policy Review Board Recorder, nonvoting

d. Four voting members of the MWR Policy Review Board, two of whom shall be from the field, constitute a quorum and are empowered to act for the Board.

e. The Chairperson may accept the proxy vote of absent principals if a quorum is present at a meeting.

f. Appointment to the MWR Policy Review Board is in addition to regularly assigned duties of the members concerned.

g. The MWR Policy Review Board will make recommendations on the following:

(1) Changes in the rate of assessment in support of centralized functions.

(2) Material changes to the nonappropriated fund (NAF) employee benefit and retirement programs.

(3) NAF MWR Central Construction Program and changes in the rate of contributions to the program.

(4) Policies affecting the administration and management of central NAF's.

(5) Expenditure of central NAF monies for purposes other than MWR.

(6) The annual budgets of the Marine Corps MWRSPTACT operating fund.

(7) Policies affecting major command prerogatives.

(8) Major MWR general policy issues as appropriate.

h. The Chairperson may appoint committees for the purpose of reviewing the CMC (MW) operating budget and NAF construction programs, respectively, or other major issues as appropriate.

i. The Committee Chairperson may appoint subcommittees as necessary.

5. Action

a. The MWR Policy Review Board will meet upon order of the Chairperson. Specific dates, times, and locations will be confirmed by separate correspondence or message.

b. In lieu of meetings, the Chairperson may elect to poll the voting members on matters which require expeditious handling or are not significant enough to call a full meeting.

c. Committee and subcommittee meetings, as required, will precede MWR Policy Review Board meetings. Committee and subcommittee reports or recommendations will be made a matter of record and be presented at the next MWR Policy Review Board Meeting.


d. The meeting announcement and agenda will be provided at least 5 days prior to each meeting.

e. A serialized record of proceedings will be maintained by the Recorder, resident at the CMC (MW), after action has been taken.

f. Copies of all proceedings will be furnished to each member, major field commanders, and the Marine Corps NAF Audit Service.

g. Members of the MWR Policy Review Board have the right to submit, individually or collectively, minority reports. These minority reports will be signed and given to the Recorder within 5 days after the meeting for submission as an enclosure to the record of proceedings.

6. Reserve Applicability. This Order is not applicable to the Marine Corps Reserve.



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